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Please find below a communication from the EXAMINER in charge of this application.

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Please see the following communication regarding the letter filed 2/22/05.

In a letter filed 2/22/05, applicants have requested that a change be made to the address of one of the inventors. However, the inventor for which the request has been made is not of record. The inventors of record are the following:

Philippe Durette, Malcolm Maccoss, William Hagmann,
Sander Mills, Richard Mumford, Jack Schmidt, and Gail van Riper.

Accordingly, the address change will not be made.

Applicants may, however, file a petition to change inventorship if deemed appropriate.



Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to David Lukton whose telephone number is 571-272-0952. The examiner can normally be reached Monday-Friday from 9:30 to 6:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Jon Weber, can be reached at 571-272-0925. The fax number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is 571-272-1600.

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